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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: Ekwuribe et al.  
Serial No.: 09/873,757  
Filed: June 4, 2001

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For: **MIXTURES OF GROWTH HORMONE DRUG-OLIGOMER CONJUGATES  
COMPRISING POLYALKYLENE GLYCOL, USES THEREOF, AND METHODS OF  
MAKING SAME**

Date: October 11, 2001

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**SUBMITTAL OF DECLARATION  
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.63**

Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application-Filing Date Granted (PTO-1533), mailed August 24, 2001 enclosed is a Declaration and Power of Attorney for the above-identified application, which has been executed by the named inventors.

A check in the amount of \$2220 is also enclosed to cover the following fees:

	Column 1 No. Filed	Column 2 No. Extra	Large Entity Rate Fee
BASIC FEE			\$740.00
TOTAL CLAIMS	67 - 20 =	47	x 18 = \$846.00
INDEP CLAIMS	9 - 3 =	6	x 84 = \$504.00
Declaration Surcharge			= \$130.00
			<b>Total \$2,220.00</b>

If any extension of time for the accompanying response or submission is required, Applicant requests that this be considered a petition therefor. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee, which may be required, or credit any refund, to our Deposit Account No. 50-0220.

Respectfully submitted,

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# DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR PATENT APPLICATION

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As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled **MIXTURES OF GROWTH HORMONE DRUG-OLIGOMER CONJUGATES COMPRISING POLYALKYLENE GLYCOL, USES THEREOF, AND METHODS OF MAKING SAME.**

the specification of which

☐ is attached hereto

OR

☒ was filed on June 4, 2001 as United States Application No. \_\_\_\_\_ or PCT

International Application Number \_\_\_\_\_ and was amended on \_\_\_\_\_ (if applicable).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37 Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, § 119(a)-(d) or § 365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate, or § 365(a) of any PCT International application which designated at least one country other than the United States of America, listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate, or of any PCT International application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed.

NONE			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Number	Country	MM/DD/YYYY Filed	Priority Claimed
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I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below.

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I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 120 of any United States application(s) or § 365(c) of any PCT international application designating the United States of America, listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States or PCT International application(s) in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, § 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56 which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application (37 C.F.R. § 1.63(d)).

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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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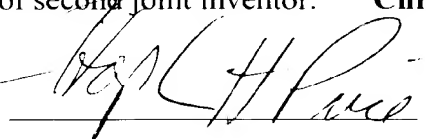
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